

Sangamon County LEPC

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AGENDA

November 15, 2007
8:30 AM
Office of the State Fire Marshal
1035 Stevenson Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

Meeting called to order by David Butt, Chairman

Acceptance of minutes from last meeting (09/20/07)

Recognition of LEPC members and visitors

Old Business

Emergency Coordinator's Report on Progress of Site Specific Planning
Project

New Plans Completed

Completed Plans Updated

Department of Homeland Security "Chemical Security Assessment Tool"

Local Exercises

Other

New Business

Summary Report Relative to LEPC Activities During 2007

Facilities Needing to File Their First Tier II Forms

Other

Next meeting: January 17, 2008

Motion to adjourn

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MINUTES OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY LEPC MEETING – November 15, 2007

The Chair, David Butt, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m., at the State Fire Marshal's Office Conference Room, 1035 Aldai Stevenson Drive, Springfield IL 62703.

Members present included: John Brennan, *Memorial Medical Center*; Matt Brown, *American Red Cross (ARC)*; David Butt, *Sangamon County Office of Emergency Management*; Ray Cooke, *Sangamon County Office of Bioterrorism Preparedness*; Tracy Garrison, *Sangamon County GIS Department*; Matt Helms, *Springfield Fire Dept. (retired)*; Pat Metz, *City Water, Light & Power (CWLP)*; Mike Moos, *Sherman EMA*; Dick Rentschler, *Rochester Fire Dept.*; Bill Russell, *Sangamon County Rescue Squad*; Colleen Stone, *American Red Cross*; Jim Strutz, *ASIS International*; Linda Swartz, *Sangamon County Department of Public Health* and Kevin Switzer, *Springfield Fire Dept. (SFD)*.

Visitors present were: Teal Featherston-Wilkinson, *Sangamon County Department of Public Health*; Marla Martin and Stephen Yenchko, *SIU School of Medicine*.

Approval of the Minutes - Minutes from the September 20, 2007, meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Mike Moos, seconded by Linda Swartz and approved unanimously to accept the minutes from the September 20, 2007, meeting as corrected. The correction was to change one visitor's name from Teal Featherson-Wilkinson to Teal Featherston-Wilkinson (adding a "t" to Featherston).

Introductions - Visitors were recognized and self-introductions were made.

Old Business

Emergency Coordinator's Report on the Site Specific Planning Project – Matt Helms reported that he has one new plan, Berry Fertilizer (Rochester), and two revised plans, Verizon Wireless (Springfield, 3420 Constitution Dr.) and Sam's Club (Springfield). He reported that others, such as Agriliance, are being worked on. The Chair reported that he and Matt had discovered a number of facilities storing Anhydrous Ammonia in our county which have never filed a Tier II form with us. All storage facilities owned by Brandt Consolidated have now sent in their 2006 Tier II forms and Matt will extend his planning project to Brandt next. The Brandt facility in Williamsville was singled out as one of our top concerns because Anhydrous Ammonia is stored adjacent to a residential area at the edge of town.

US DHS Chemical Security Assessment Tool – Pat Metz reported that on November 2, the US Department of Homeland Security (US DHS) hazardous chemical list was published. A number of chemicals were deleted from an initial list. It is also now more complex for those chemicals still listed. There are four (4) tiers that chemicals are placed into for security purposes. Agencies that must comply with these US DHS rules will have sixty (60) days to complete an eighty (80) page questionnaire. The Chair asked Pat to continue to track this requirement and to provide a report on the progress of this to the LEPC whenever possible.

Exercises – The Illinois Capital Area Chapter of the ARC will be “tested” this weekend through a mock train wreck exercise on November 17. Memorial Medical Center and St. John’s Hospital are planning to hold a pandemic flu exercise for sometime in December. Colleen Stone announced that ARC has an eighteen (18) minute Pandemic Flu Preparedness video available. A possible Lake Sanchris dam disaster exercise was outlined as well.

New Business

Explosion at CWLP Dallman 31 Power Generation Station – Kevin Switzer reported that last Saturday, November 10, an explosion occurred at the Dallman Power Plant. When the fire department arrived, a transformer was tipped over and had spilled mineral oil with a river of fire present. Behind the transformer fire was the building that housed the Dallman 31 generator with its north wall blown out from an explosion within the building. The cause is not known at this time. Although eleven (11) people were in the plant with one in the office next to the generator, no injuries were reported. Dallman 32 was shut down for maintenance, but Dallman 33 continued to operate after the explosion. With cooperation between CWLP and SFD, 33 was powered down so that the fire around 31 could be extinguished. Engines from surrounding volunteer fire departments were brought into Springfield to man fire houses and support the fire suppression at CWLP.

2007 LEPC Summary Report – The Chair announced that he plans to provide an annual report on the activities to the committee at the January meeting for approval and submission to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA).

Meeting Closure - There being no further business, a motion was made by Kevin Switzer, seconded by Mike Moos and approved unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 9:45 a.m. The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., January 17, 2008, at the Office of the State Fire Marshal.